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In re Application of: Darrell L. Ward  
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WITH STUDENTS IN AN EDUCATION  
ENVIRONMENT

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Respectfully submitted,

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